

# Kakanda language

**Kakanda** (also known as **Akanda** or **Hyabe**<sup>[3]</sup>) is a Nupoid language of Nigeria. Kakanda is spoken in and around Ega (near the Niger-Benue confluence). There are scattered villages stretching from the Niger-Benue confluence to as far as Muregi. There are at least 10,000 people. It is most closely related to Gupa and Kupa, although there are also some similarities with Ebira.<sup>[3]</sup>

Blench (2019) lists *Kakanda–Budon* and *Kakanda–Gbanmi/Sokun* as dialects.<sup>[4]</sup>

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Kakanda	
Hyabe	
Native to	Nigeria
Region	Niger State, Kwara State, FCT
Native speakers	100,000 (2008) <sup>[1]</sup>
Language family	Niger–Congo <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Atlantic–Congo<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Volta–Niger<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>NOI<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nupoid<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nupe–Gbagyi<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nupe Languages<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Kakanda</b></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	kka
Glottolog	kaka1264 ( <a href="http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/kaka1264">http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/kaka1264</a> ) <sup>[2]</sup>

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